Setting-up of radio station by Andhra Pradesh

3559. SHRI RUMANDLA RAMACHANDRAIAH: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether after setting up of its own television channel devoted to development, the Andhra Pradesh Government is planning to tie-up with a US company to set-up its own radio broadcasting station;

(b) if so, whether the US based World Space Satellite Inc. has agreed to help Andhra Pradesh put up its own radio station and has also agreed to provide free service for the first six months; and

(c) if so, whether Government have allowed them to do so?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ): (a) to (c) Broadcasting is a subject included in the Union List under the Constitution. Therefore, as per the extant policy, State Governments are not permitted to set up TV Channels or Broadcasting Stations. The Central Government has not received any proposal from the Government of Andhra Pradesh to set up a Radio station in Andhra Pradesh. The Government of Andhra Pradesh has, however, informed that they are examining a proposal to utilize the existing World Space Capacity for transmission of its programmes on Education, Development, Communications and Disaster Management, to rural and remote areas of the State. The proposal envisages provision of channel capacity by World Space, on a trial basis, on the North-West beam of its Asia Star satellite.

Vacancies of News Readers and Programme Announcers

†3560. SHRI DEVI PRASAD SINGH: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) the present number of Doordarshan and All India Radio stations in the country;

(b) the number of posts of News Readers and Programme Announcers lying vacant, Station-wise; and

(c) whether rates of honorarium being given for the programmes presented by local people at these stations is proposed to be increased by Government?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ) (a) Prasar Bharati has informed that at

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present there are 208 All India Radio Stations and 18 Doordarshan Kendras in the country;

(b) Prasar Bharati has informed that there are no Programme Announcers in Doordarshan and no post of News Presenter is lying vacant. As regards All India Radio, the number of vacant posts of News Readers and Programme Announcers/Comperes (station-wise) are given in the Statement (*See* below) .

(c) No, Sir.

Statement

Station-wise number of Posts of Newsreader-cum-Translators (NRT) and Announcers/Comperes lying vacant

Sl. No.	Name of Station	Announcer/ Compere	NRT
1	2	3	4
	GUJARAT		
1.	Ahmedabad	1	NIL
	Ahmedabad CBS	2	—
2.	Baroda (Vadodara)	5	—
3.	Bhuj	1	NIL
4.	Rajkot	3	—
5.	Godhra, LRS	1	—
6.	Surat, LRS	NIL	—
7.	Ahwa	1	—
8.	Daman, LRS (U.T.)	NIL	—
9.	Bangalore	4	NIL
	Bangalore	1	—
10.	Bhadrawati	NIL	—
11.	Dharwad	1	NIL
12.	Gulbarga	NIL	—
13.	Mangalore/Udipi	1	—
14.	Mysore	2	—
15.	Chitradurga, LRS	NIL	—

1	2	3	4
16.	Hassan	3	—
17.	Hospet, LRS	Nil	—
18.	Raichur, LRS	Nil	—
19.	Madikeri (Markara)	2	—
20.	Karwar, LRS	Nil	—
21.	Bijapur, LRS	1	—
		MADHYA PRADESH	
22.	Bhopal	Nil	1
	Bhopal, CBS	1	—
23.	Chattarpur	1	—
24.	Gwalior	Nil	—
25.	Indor	2	1
26.	Jabalpur	Nil	—
27.	Rewa	2	—
28.	Khandwa	Nil	—
29.	Betul	Nil	—
30.	Shivpuri	4	—
31.	Chindwara	1	—
32.	Shahdol	3	—
33.	Balaghat	2	—
34.	Guna	1	—
35.	Sagar	1	—
		CHHATTISGARH	
36.	Ambikapur	1	—
37.	Jagdalpur	1	—
38.	Raipur	Nil	—
39.	Bilaspur	Nil	—
40.	Raigarh	Nil	—

1	2	3	4
	TAMIL NADU		
41.	Coimbatore	Nil	—
42.	Chennai	8	1
	Chennai, CBS	Nil	—
43.	Madurai	2	—
44.	Tiruchirapalli	1	Nil
45.	Tirunelveli	Nil	—
46.	Nagercoil, LRS	Nil	—
47.	Ooty	Nil	—
48.	Turicorin, Ext. Service	3	—
49.	Kodaikanal	—	—
	PONDICHERRY		
50.	Pondicherry	Nil	Nil
51.	Karaikal	1	—
	ORISSA		
52.	Cuttack	3	Nil
	Cuttack, CBS	Nil	—
53.	Jeypore	1	—
54.	Sambalpur	2	—
55.	Keonjhar, LRS	1	—
56.	Baripada, LRS	Nil	—
57.	Berhampur, LRS	Nil	—
58.	Bhawanipatna	3	—
59.	Bolangir LRS	1	—
60.	Rourkela, LRS	Nil	—
61.	Puri, LRS	Nil	—
62.	Joranda, LRS	Nil	—

1	2	3	4
	DELHI		
63.	AIR, New Delhi	2	—
	CBS, AIR, New Delhi	6	—
	ESD, AIR, Delhi	Nil	—
	National Channel, Delhi	4	—
	NSD AIR New Delhi	—	45
	HARYANA		
64.	Hissar	1	—
65.	Rohtak	2	—
66.	Kurikshetra	Nil	—
	ASSAM		
67.	Guwahati	Nil	Nil
68.	Silchar	1	1
69.	Dibrugarh	1	1
70.	Jorhat, LRS	1	—
71.	Haflong, LRS	1	—
72.	Nowcons, LRS	Nil	—
73.	Diphu, LRS	1	—
74.	Kokrajhar	3	—
75.	Dhubri, Relay Centre	—	—
76.	Tezpur	—	—
	ARUNACHAL PRADESH		
77.	Itanagar	4	—
78.	Passighat	Nil	—
79.	Tawang	1	—
80.	Tenzu	Nil	—
81.	Ziro, LRS	—	—

1	2	3	4
	ANDHRA PRADESH		
82.	Hyderabad	1	1
	Hyderabad CBS	Nil	—
83.	Adilabad, LRS	2	—
84.	Vijayawada	1	Nil
85.	Vishakhapatnam	4	—
86.	Cudappah	Nil	—
87.	Kothagudem	3	—
88.	Warangal, LRS	1	—
89.	Nizamabad, LRS	1	—
90.	Tirupati, LRS	2	—
91.	Anantpur, LRS	Nil	—
92.	Kurnool, LRS	Nil	—
93.	Markapuram, LRS	1	—
	MANIPUR		
94.	Imphal	1	3
	MEGHALAYA		
95.	Shillong	1	Nil
	Shillong, NES	1	—
96.	Tura	1	—
97.	Jowai, LRS	1	—
98.	Williamnagar, CRS	—	—
99	Nongstoin, CRS	—	—
	MIZORAM		
100.	Aizwal	Nil	Nil
101.	Lunglei	Nil	—
102.	Saiha, LRS	Nil	—

1	2	3	4
	NAGALAND		
103.	Kohima	5	Nil
104.	Mokokching, LRS	1	—
105.	Mon, CRS	1	—
106.	Tuensang, CRS	1	—
	RAJASTHAN		
107.	Jaipur	Nil	Nil
	Jaipur, CBS	3	—
108.	Kota, LRS	1	—
109.	Ajmer, Relay Centre	—	—
110.	Bikaner	Nil	—
111.	Udaipur	2	—
112.	Jodhpur	Nil	—
113.	Suratgarh	2	
114.	Alwar, LRS	Nil	
115.	Banswara, LRS	Nil	1
116.	Chittorgarh, LRS	1	—
117.	Barmer	2	—
118.	Swai Madhopur, LRS	1	—
119.	Churu	4	—
120.	Jaisalmer	Nil	—
121.	Mount Abu	—	—
122.	Nagaur, LRS	2	—
123.	Jhalawar	1	—
	PUNJAB		
124.	Jallandhar	6	—
125.	Bhatinda, LRS	Nil	—
126.	Patiala, LRS	Nil	—
127.	Chandigarh (UT)	Nil	Nil

1	2	3	4
	WEST BENGAL		
128.	Kolkata	9	Nil
	Kolkata, CBS	4	—
129.	Kurseong	2	1
130.	Siliguri	3	—
131.	Murshidabad, LRS	1	—
132.	Asansol	—	—
	TRIPURA		
133.	Agartala	1	2
134.	Delonia, LRS	Nil	—
135.	Kailashahar, LRS	1	—
	SIKKIM		
136.	Gangtok	1	Nil
	A&N ISLANDS		
137.	Port Blair (UT)	4	Nil
	UTTAR PRADESH		
138.	Lucknow	2	Nil
139.	Allahabad	5	—
140.	Varanasi	8	—
141.	Rampur	Nil	—
142.	Kanpur	2	—
143.	Mathura	2	—
144.	Gorakhpur	Nil	1
145.	Najibabad	1	—
146.	Agra	Nil	—
147.	Faizabad, LRS	2	—
148.	Bareilly, LRS	1	—

1	2	3	4
149.	Jhansi, LRS	2	—
150.	Obra	3	—
151.	Aligarh, Relay Centre	—	—
	UTTARANCHAL		
152.	Almora	Nil	—
153.	Gopeshwar (Chamoli)	—	—
154.	Mussoorie, Relay Centre	—	—
155.	Pauri	1	—
156.	Pithoragarh, Relay Centre	—	—
157.	Uttarkashi Relay Centre	—	—
	MAHARASHTRA		
158.	Mumbai	9	Nil
	Mumbai CBS VBS	6	—
159.	Aurangabad	Nil	Nil
160.	Jalgaon	Nil	—
161.	Nagpur	1	Nil
162.	Parbhani	Nil	—
163.	Pune	Nil	Nil
164.	Ratnagiri	1	—
165.	Sangli	Nil	—
166.	Sholapur, LRS	Nil	—
167.	Dhule, LRS	1	—
168.	Beed, LRS	2	—
169.	Ahmednagar, LRS	Nil	—
170.	Nanded, LRS	Nil	—
171.	Akola, LRS	Nil	—
172.	Kolhapur	Nil	—

1	2	3	4
173.	Yavatmal, LRS	Nil	—
174.	Satara, LRS	1	—
175.	Chandrapur, LRS	1	—
176.	Nasik, LRS	Nil	—
177.	Osmanabad, LRS	1	—
	GOA		
178.	Panji	3	Nil
	BIHAR		
179.	Patna	1	2
	Patna, CBS	3	—
180.	Bhagalpur	1	—
181.	Darbhanga	2	—
182.	Sasaram, LRS	2	—
183.	Purnea, LRS	Nil	—
	JHARKHAND		
184.	Ranchi	1	NIL
185.	Jamshedpur	3	—
186.	Chaibasa, LRS	1	—
187.	Hazaribagh, LRS	Nil	—
188.	Daltonganj, LRS	Nil	—
	HIMACHAL PRADESH		
189.	Shimla	4	1
190.	Kasauli Relay Centre	—	—
191.	Hamirpur, LRS	Nil	—
192.	Dharamshala	Nil	—
193.	Kullu, Relay Centre	—	—
194.	Kinnaur (Kalpa), Relay Centre	—	—

1	2	3	4
	JAMMU & KASHMIR		
195.	Srinagar	1	3
	Srinagar, CBS	Nil	—
196.	Jammu	Nil	1
197.	Leh	Nil	1
198.	Kathua, LRS	1	—
199.	Poonch, LRS	Nil	—
200.	Kargil	1	—
	KERALA		
201.	Thiruvananthapuram	3	Nil
	Thiruvananthapuram, CBS	Nil	—
202.	Alleppey, Relay Centre	—	—
203.	Kozhikode	4	1
204.	Thrissur	1	—
205.	Kochi, LRS	Nil	—
206.	Kannur	4	—
207.	Iddukki (Devikulam)	1	—
	LAKSHADWEEP		
208.	Kavaratti	1	—

Rate of commercial advertisements on DD

†3561. SHRI DEVI PRASAD SINGH: Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) the rates of commercial advertisements on Doordarshan;

(b) whether these are different for different slots; and

(c) if so, the minimum and maximum rate alongwith the respective slot thereof?

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